

## LATEST BY WIRE

### JAPS

#### Ready to Attack

The Russians in Port Arthur  
With Their Fleet.

England Backing Them

The Almond Eyed Warriors May  
Bear the Brunt of War

And Your Uncle Johnny Bull Will Make  
His Usual Grab When the Fun's  
Over—Japanese Fleet  
Waiting Orders.

Special to Times-Democrat.

Shanghai, December 29.—It is reported that a Japanese fleet of over twenty warships is waiting near Goto Island, outside Nagasaki, equipped for war, only awaiting instructions. This includes the *Yamato* and the *Fuji*, two of the finest vessels in the Japanese navy, and the *Chen Yuen*, that was captured from China.

The Japanese fleet, it is understood, is acting in close touch with the British squadron under Vice Admiral Sir Alexander Duff, commander-in-chief on the China station.

Japan will certainly oppose a permanent Russian occupation of Port Arthur. The sudden dissolution of the Japanese diet was owing to the war spirit. It is expected that the Japanese fleet will attempt to prevent the landing of reinforcements from Odessa for the protection of the Russian trans-siberian railway in Manchuria.

Cause of Dissolution.

Kobe, Japan, Dec. 29.—The dissolution of the diet has greatly angered the political parties. It is probable that the Marquis Ito, former premier, and Count Okuma, a former foreign minister, will form a coalition ministry, with a vigorous foreign policy. The military party is eager for action, extraordinary activity prevails at the military and naval depots, and warships are assembling at Nagasaki.

Very Much Interested.

Paris, Dec. 29.—Russia has long been negotiating to raise a Chinese loan of £5,000,000 in France to pay the indemnity and secure the Japanese evacuation of Wei-Hai-Wei. The negotiations were broken off owing to France insisting that the Bank of Russia should have the loan and Russia desiring that the Russo-Chinese bank should take the loan.

### \$2 MAY WHEAT

Prophesied by a Broker.

Special to Times-Democrat.

Chicago, December 29.—"May wheat will sell for \$2—some time," is the sensational prophecy made to-day by John H. Grier. He represents the concern doing Levi Z. Lutz & Sons' business on change, and ought to know.

### NOW LANGUAGE.

Bank Officers in Trouble.

Special to Times-Democrat.

Wichita, Kas., December 29.—Late yesterday afternoon the officers of the Stock Exchange Bank, of El Reno, Okla., which failed ten days ago, were arrested and jailed, charged with receiving deposits after the bank was known to be insolvent.

### LIBERTY OR DEATH

Is the Motto of the Cubans.

Special to Times-Democrat.

Havana, December 29.—Gen. Gomez has issued another proclamation, declaring that Cubans under arms will not accept the reforms offered by Spain. Independence or death is the motto of the insurgents, and Gomez asserts they will win their liberty or die on the battle field.

### FOR MONTHS

The Luetgert Trial May Drag.

Special to Times-Democrat.

Chicago, December 29.—The Luetgert trial promises to drag on for months. The defense is without shorthand reports and announces its intention of taking every line of the testimony in longhand. Attorney Harmon claims that Mrs. Luetgert has been located in Pennsylvania. The defense says they have found an important rebuttal witness; he is a former detective and asserts that dirty work has been done and that the rings were put into the vat by the police. He gave details of the alleged conspiracy to Luetgert's attorneys. The ring witnesses held sway to-day.

### CREWS ABOARD

Oyster Sloops Fast in Ice.

Special to Times-Democrat.

Sayville, N. Y., December 29.—The entire surface of Great South bay is frozen from shore to shore, a distance of 20 miles. Five hundred oyster sloops are frozen fast in the ice and a thousand oyster men are out of employment and their families will suffer. Five sloops, with crews aboard, were caught on the ice and the men are, no doubt, suffering from cold and hunger.

### MURDER AND SUICIDE.

A Desperate Texas Tragedy.

Special to Times-Democrat.

Liberty, Texas, December 29.—Frank Tives, a prominent farmer, went to the home of John Worthing, a stockman, near Mass Bluff. After a few words Worthing shot and killed Tives and then blew out his own brains. They had had trouble before.

### MUSICAL TONES

Averted a Serious Panic.

Special to Times-Democrat.

Chicago, December 29.—A fire in the Great Northern Hotel last night burned the great acolyan, which adorned the rotunda. The property loss is about twenty thousand dollars. Several persons were slightly injured. Music from the burning instrument averted a panic.

### THE SECOND SON

Born to Countess Castellane.

Special to Times-Democrat.

Paris, December 29.—The *Figaro* says that young Countess Castellane, nee Miss Gould, yesterday gave birth to a boy. This is the second son.

### ALMOST HOPELESS.

Durrant's Chances Waning.

Special to Times-Democrat.

San Francisco, December 29.—The supreme court has refused to grant the writ of probable cause asked for by Durrant's attorneys. So the only hope of saving the murderer lies in the contempt proceedings now in progress against juror Smith, one of the men who rendered the verdict against Durrant.

### MARQUIS OF HARTFORD

The New Governor General.

Special to Times-Democrat.

London, December 29.—There is an unconfirmed report that the Marquis of Hartford will succeed the Earl of Aberdeen as the governor-general of Canada.

### 88TH ANNIVERSARY

Of the Grand Old Man.

Special to Times-Democrat.

London, December 29.—To-day is the 88th anniversary of the birth of Gladstone. Liberal organizations, friends and admirers of the Grand Old Man are showering congratulations upon him. Mr. Gladstone is spending the winter at Cannes, in the southern part of France.

## GUNS

### Of Modern Make

Mounted Upon the Fortifications of Gibraltar.

'Tis a Formidable Array

Of Death Dealing Machines in an Impregnable Position

And Contrary to the Usual Rule American Naval Officers Are Permitted to Inspect the Great Fortress.

Special to Times-Democrat.

Washington, Dec. 29.—Reports received at the navy department indicate that the British government is pushing the work of modernizing the great fortifications at the Rock of Gibraltar with all speed, and that no less than 5,000 Spanish warplanes pass daily over the lines to and from their work on the fortifications.

A large number of the heaviest pieces of artillery are being put in place, a great dock is under construction, and the plan of defense permits of the absolute protection of a vast British fleet under the guns of the fortress.

Contrary to the policy pursued in some other British fortifications, the soldiers in charge made no objection to an examination of the works by American naval officers and sailors, and seemed rather proud of the strength of their position.

Autonomous Mayors Inaugurated.

Washington, Dec. 29.—The Spanish minister has received a dispatch from Havana stating that the autonomous mayors of Bejucal and Juanaocho had been inaugurated amid great enthusiasm. The dispatch adds that the patriotic spirit shown at these demonstrations gives assurance of the speedy realization of the good effect of an autonomous form of government in Cuba.

Expresses Doubt.

Washington, Dec. 29.—The Japanese minister has not yet been advised of the resignation of the entire cabinet, and he feels that while the resignations may have been tendered, the emperor will not accept them unless it becomes apparent that an entirely new cabinet, under Marquis Ito, can be formed.

No Entries Can Be Made.

Washington, Dec. 29.—Commissioner Hermann of the general land office has decided that no entries or disposals of any nonmineral lands in the north of the Colville reservation in Washington can be effected until after the lands are surveyed and the president's proclamation is issued opening the same to entry.

Convicted in His Absence.

Washington, Dec. 29.—The Turkish government has tried, convicted and sentenced to 15 years' imprisonment the murderer of the American bicyclist, Leutz, notwithstanding the culprit made good his escape to Russia immediately after the commission of the crime and has not been apprehended.

It Was a Hoax.

Washington, Dec. 29.—At the French embassy it was stated by M. Lafere, charge d'affaires, that the story that M. Maillard had passed through Washington on route to Cuba with credentials to investigate for the French government the conditions on the island was a hoax throughout.

Lost Their Jobs.

Washington, Dec. 29.—Fred E. Finster and William F. Muir, deputy collector and inspector at Port Huron, Mich., were removed from their positions for violations of the civil service rules in soliciting campaign contributions.

Resignation Not Tendered.

Washington, Dec. 29.—Secretary Gage says he has not tendered his resignation, as reported, and that he has no reason to believe he should do so.

Washington Notes.

The balance of trade as between the United States and Canada for the year has been \$17,657,558 in favor of the United States.

Secretary Alger, who has been confined to his home by a severe cold, is decidedly improved, and will probably be at the department in a few days.

Three hundred and seventy-five applications for patents were received at the patent office Monday, the highest on record for any one day in the history of the office.

Terribly Scalded.

Xenia, O., Dec. 29.—John Ryan fell into a kettle of boiling water while engaged in butchering, and was scalded.

### CUBIANS VICTORIOUS.

Six Hundred Dons Routed.

Special to Times-Democrat.

Havana, December 29.—Between Minas and Campo Florido, a force of insurgents commanded by Nester Aranguern, completely routed a Spanish detachment of 600 soldiers. The fight took place on and around Rafael bridge. Aranguern blew up the bridge with dynamite. It was considered a very strong Spanish military position. It is estimated that one thousand Spanish soldiers perished in the three fights between Pando and Garcia and another thousand disappeared.

### LOWERED THE FLAG.

Our Colors Hauled Down.

Special to Times-Democrat.

New Haven, December 29.—Capt. Geo. L. Kelsey, of the schooner *Wallace Ward*, from Barcelona, Spain, declares that while at a Spanish port he was compelled to haul down the American flag on account of the threatening demonstration made by natives. The American counsel heard the rumor that a mob intended to burn the vessel.

### PEALAGIC SEALING

Prohibited in Behring Sea.

Special to Times-Democrat.

Washington, December 29.—The president, to-day, approved of the bill prohibiting pealagic sealing in the Behring Sea.

### NEW CABINET OFFICE

Desired by California Miners.

Special to Times-Democrat.

San Francisco, December 29.—Torrey L. Ford, of the California Miners' Association, will prepare resolutions favoring the creation of the office of secretary of mines and mining in the president's cabinet.

### A STAR BOARDER

Implicated in the Murder.

Special to Times-Democrat.

Clinton, Iowa, December 29.—Mrs. Charles Selhausen confesses that she murdered her husband by giving him rat poison while he was confined to his bed because of injuries he had received by a fall. She implicates Theodore Berton, a boarder.

### GREAT TROUBLE

Among Cadets at Annapolis.

Special to Times-Democrat.

Annapolis, Md., December 29.—The second class naval cadets are in great trouble over the result of their December examination. Out of a class of fifty-five only ten passed.

### RUSSIA'S AIM

Is Now to Take in Korea.

Special to Times-Democrat.

Tacoma, Wash., December 28.—The mail advices which have been received here leave no room for doubt that Russia intends to exercise sovereignty over Korea.

Pipe Organ Burned.

Chicago, Dec. 29.—Fire destroyed the large pipe organ in the office of the Great Northern hotel, entailing a loss of \$20,000 upon the managers of the hotel.

Killed by His Son's Train.

St. Hyacinthe, Quebec, Dec. 29.—Antoine Goyette, 55, was run over and instantly killed at Richmond by a train whose engineer was Goyette's son.

Brooke Was Neck.

New Pittsburg, O., Dec. 29.—As Alonzo Weaver, 10, stepped from the church he fell on the icy pavement, breaking his neck and dying instantly.

Annual Meeting.

Baltimore, Dec. 29.—The annual meeting of the American Folk-Lore society was held in the Thimble ring.

## DEMON

### Reaps His Reward.

A Negro Murderer Strung up in Mississippi.

He Killed Two Farmers.

Hanged, and Then His Body was Riddled With Bullets.

Another Negro Murderer Ran to Cover and Captured in Kansas City—Woman Murders Her Husband.

Special to Times-Democrat.

Minter City, Miss., Dec. 29.—Joseph Hopkins, the negro who murdered two white farmers on Christmas day at Glendora, a small inland town near this place, was captured by a posse on the James plantation, near Swan Lake. Hopkins concealed himself in a glen, but was discovered by two negroes, who gave the alarm. Hopkins fought like a demon before being taken into custody, and when arrested it was found the negro had been shot in three places during the melee.

He was not fatally injured, however, and was at once taken to the scene of his terrible crime. Hopkins confessed his guilt and did not plead for mercy, but begged his captors to make quick work of him, and little time was lost in carrying out the request.

A rope was placed about the negro's neck and he was hanged to a limb of a tree. The body was then riddled with bullets and left hanging.

Ran Him to Cover.

Kansas City, Dec. 29.—A crowd of men and boys chased a negro murderer through the business section of Kansas City, running him to cover in a pile of drygoods boxes. The negro, James Reed, fired four bullets into the body of his mistress, Susie Blakely, of whom he was jealous, killing her instantly. James Reed is the son of Martin Reed, who was hanged here six years ago for the murder of his wife.

Murdered Her Husband.

Clinton, Ia., Dec. 29.—Theodore Burtoch and Ernestine Burtoch were arrested charged with the murder of Charles Selhausen, the woman's former husband, in September. Burtoch had boarded with Selhausen and the husband had become jealous, compelling Burtoch to leave. Upon Selhausen's death he returned, and a week ago married the widow. The woman confessed, after her arrest, that she had killed Selhausen with rat poison and implicated Burtoch.

Populist Resolutions.

Little Rock, Dec. 29.—The Populist state central committee met here and adopted resolutions instructing the national committee to instruct the national committee to be present at the St. Louis Middle-of-the-Road convention. The resolutions were strongly agreed to, and opposed the nomination of a ticket for 1900 this year, as has been proposed.

Regulation Not Honored.

Denver, Dec. 29.—Governor Adams refused to honor the regulation of Governor Black of New York in the case of William H. Griffith of Leadville, Colo., proprietor of the *Herald-Democrat* and *Evening Chronicle* of that place, who was indicted by the New York city grand jury on a charge of larceny.

Will Return to Work.

Pawtucket, R. I., Dec. 29.—Manager Out of the Royal Weaving company, Central Falls, stated that arrangements had been made to start the mill next Monday morning. He said the strikers would return at that time in sufficient numbers to operate 120 looms.

Absolute Divorce Granted.

Fargo, N. D., Dec. 29.—In chambers, before Judge Potlock, Mrs. Ethel Mary McCallum was granted an absolute divorce from her husband, William Cathbert McCallum, on the ground of conviction for felony, extreme cruelty and adultery.

Mysteriously Missing.

Fremont, O., Dec. 29.—George Brown, an old soldier who made this city his home, is mysteriously missing. He has been granted a large pension, and an effort is being made to locate him.

Lives Snuffed Out.

Norwalk, O., Dec. 29.—William A. Wildman, 57, fell as he stepped outside the door of his home and died almost instantly. Abial Farley, 55, is also dead as the result of a fall.

Moaners For the Klondike.

Halifax, Dec. 29.—There is a project on foot to start several steamers from Halifax for the Klondike next spring, the first leaving in March, or perhaps earlier.

Indictments Dismissed.

New York, Dec. 29.—Judge Newburger dismissed 11 indictments for perjury and misdemeanor against Edward E. Gedgey, former president of the North River bank, which failed Nov. 12, 1890. The indictments stated that as president of the North River bank he swore to a quarterly report on Oct. 1, 1890, that the bank had in available specie on hand \$124,436, whereas, in fact, \$70,000 of the amount consisted of worthless paper.

Transferred to United States Court.

HAMILTON, O., Dec. 29.—Judge McLean of the common pleas court, who appointed Samuel J. Fritz receiver of the Herring-Hall-Martin Safe company, on petition of the defendants transferred the suit to the United States circuit court at Cincinnati. This move is avowedly for the protection of the Ohio creditors of the company and to prevent Ohio assets from being used to pay preferred creditors in other States.

Disposition of a Fortune.

New York, Dec. 29.—By the will of Charles Condit, after a number of bequests to relatives and friends, the residue of the estate, amounting to about \$1,500,000, will be divided in equal shares among the general theological seminaries of the Protestant Episcopal church, the Domestic and Foreign Missions society of the Protestant Episcopal church, and a large number of local institutions.

That Boundary Dispute.

Ottawa, Dec. 29.—It is said in official circles that the meeting between the British and American authorities for finally determining the boundary of Alaska will be made this winter. The meridian line is practically agreed upon, and the main point of dispute will be as to the strip running along the Pacific coast contiguous to British Columbia.

Lower Court Sustained.

New York, Dec. 29.—The appellate division of the supreme court in Brooklyn handed down a decision affirming that of the lower court in granting an injunction against the mayor and board of aldermen of Brooklyn to prevent them from granting a franchise to the East River and Atlantic Ocean Railroad company for 40 miles of Brooklyn streets.

Seventh Annual Session.

Denver, Dec. 29.—The Western Surgical Gynecological association met in seventh annual session in this city. Dr. Joseph Eastman of Indianapolis, the president, occupied the chair. About 50 specialists were present. They were welcomed to the state by Governor Adams. The convention will continue two days.

Another Coal Trust.

Pittsburg, Dec. 29.—The promoters of the Citizens' Coal company, which will be composed of Pittsburg and Cincinnati operators, completed plans for the new company. The entire capital of \$4,000,000 was subscribed, the plans of the Pittsburg people being taken as \$2,000,000 cash.

Coldly Received.

Constantinople, Dec. 29.—At the last meeting of the ambassadors of the powers the Russian representative created surprise by proposing Prince George of Greece as governor of Crete. The proposal was coldly received.

Made an Assignment.

New York, Dec. 29.—Herman Finkelstein, dealer in toys, novelties and fancy goods, this city, has made an assignment. Liabilities \$12,000, assets \$26,000.

Gillette Discovered.

Denver, Dec. 29.—Veins of Gillette in sufficient size to warrant development are reported to have been discovered at Willow creek, in Middle park.

Rev. Corby Dead.

South Bend, Ind., Dec. 29.—The Very Rev. William Corby of Notre Dame, head of the Order of the Holy Cross in America, is dead.

Devoted to Discussion.

Cleveland, Dec. 29.—The afternoon session of the American Historical society was devoted to a discussion of papers.

Silver Finds a Market.

New York, Dec. 29.—The steamship *St. Paul*, sailing for Europe, takes out 1,011,000 ounces of silver.

Rate of Discount Increased.

Bombay, Dec. 29.—The Bank of Bombay has increased the rate of discount to 8 per cent.

The Price of Gold.

London, Dec. 29.—Gold is quoted at Banco of Spain at 174.30.





## FOR RIGHT TO VOTE.

THROUGHOUT AMERICA  
UNITED IN A MOVEMENT.

The organization is called the Chinese Equal Rights League. Wang Chin Foo is its leader. Headquarters are in Chicago. Will move to Washington.

Like Coney's story of recent history, a study of several thousand Chinese in being organized in Chicago for a demand on Washington. During the next session of congress the trip will be made, and the lawmakers of the country presented with a demand for enfranchisement.

The army will not be composed of the newly arrived and ignorant Celestials. Instead it is being recruited exclusively from the ranks of the Americanized and United States born Chinese. At their head is the talented Wang Chin Foo, and the officers and leaders are all of pure descent, but American ideas and sentiment. They are organized to obtain from congress a repeal or modification of the Centry law, and no little labor, money and brains are being expended in the effort.

The organization at the head of this movement is called the Chinese Equal Rights League. Its headquarters are in Chicago, at 139 Madison street, with branch offices in New York and San Francisco. Ten thousand Americanized Chinese are already on its roster, and half a dozen new names come to each day. It is estimated that in the United States there are 40,000 American born Chinese, and 50,000 more who have been in the country from 10 to 40 years and are settled here permanently. It is these men who make up the list of members in the organization and who are relied upon to make the demonstration at Washington.

The law introduced by Senator Geary of California in 1882 which declares "yellow" is not a color as meant in the constitution of the United States and which took away the franchise of the Celestials in America is the cause of this banding together of the Chinamen. This act they hope to have modified so that intelligent and English speaking Chinese who have lived a certain length of time in this country, as well as all American born Chinese, shall be permitted to vote. A fund of over \$2,000 has already been subscribed for the purpose, and there has been circulated, mass meetings are being arranged in the pri-



WANG CHIN FOO.

signal cities of the Union and a general demonstration before congress planned. The recent gathering in Central Music hall was a part of this programme. Its climax will be a visit of 1,000 or 2,000 representative Americanized Chinamen to Washington, though this latter plan may ultimately be modified to a visit of a picked delegation of 200 or 300 of the leaders from all the cities in the Union. Senator Mason or Representatives Hitt or Bonville will be asked to introduce a bill being drawn up by the Chinese themselves, and their hopes are high of being shortly placed on an equality with the rest of the foreigners who enter this country.

Wang Chin Foo, the president of the Equal Rights League, is the originator and moving spirit of the enterprise. For some years he has been the most prominent Chinaman in the United States and has made himself well known not only to the Chinese, but also to the Caucasians in this country by literary and editorial work of ability. He writes in both English and Chinese, but prefers the more modern language as easier and quicker to handle. He is in communication with 40,000 Celestials throughout the United States and is engaged in the present movement only as one of many projects for the spreading of modern ideas among his countrymen here.

Mr. Wong, as his acquaintances and associates call him, was born on the Shanghai promontory of China, near the spot recently seized by Germany, and believes himself to be the only northern Chinese in America. He came to this country in the spring of 1874 as a political refugee. While on his way across the ocean from Japan to San Francisco he discovered there was a number of Chinese girl slaves in the hold of the vessel being consigned to dealers in San Francisco. He succeeded in getting word to the United States authorities after the arrival of the ship in port in time to procure the liberation of the girls and the arrest of the dealers. For this a price of \$1,500 was put by the slave traders on Mr. Wong's head, and he had two narrow escapes before leaving San Francisco for Chicago.

Many people in Chicago remember the reception that was given Wang Chin Foo when he reached here. There were a procession and speeches and the story of his escapes from China and from the highlanders in San Francisco was the talk of the hour. He at once went on the lecture platform and for ten years toured the country, speaking on political and eastern subjects. After that Mr. Wong began writing for various newspapers, being a news bureau in himself of all Chinese doings in this country. An article by him published in The North American Review on "Way I

Remains a Heathen" was at one time published in front of the prominent pulpits in the country.

During the last 15 years Mr. Wong has been publishing a paper in Chinese to educate his countrymen here in Americanism. It is called The Chinese News, and has lately taken up the cause of enfranchisement of the resident and American born Celestials. In 1905 Mr. Wong appeared before the board of foreign affairs of congress at Washington, and made an argument against the Chinese photographic law, which was then under consideration. As a result of his efforts and of mass meetings and demonstrations arranged by him the law was so modified as to be much more acceptable to his countrymen.

Mr. Wong's latest work, in which all his energies and hopes for the time are sunk, is the repeal or modification of the Centry law. In the offices of his Equal Rights League he spends the working hours of each day, writing and sending out literature for his countrymen and directing the work of his officers all over the country. He is helped by Secretary Yee Ming and Treasurer Wong Kee here, and by his able manager, Sam Ping Lee, in New York city. When this campaign is over, he expects to go ahead on some new educational, charitable or reform movement, for, as he says, "I can always find work to do for my countrymen."—Chicago Tribune.

## TRAIN WRECK AVERTED.

The Presence of Mind of a Brakeman Saved Many Lives.

No stops were made between Baltimore and Wilmington by the Washington and New York limited express of the Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore railroad, which left Baltimore at 10:55 a few mornings ago. The distance is 69 miles and the running time 81 minutes. The train, with 200 passengers aboard, was thundering along through the pelting rainstorm at a mile a minute gait. It had just dashed by the little station at Stanton, Del., when the forward axle on the last day coach but one broke.

Instinctively every one in the car jumped from his seat and was making for the rear when the brakeman, with admirable presence of mind, seized the whistle signal cord with one hand and, waving the other, yelled: "Keep your seats. There's no danger!"

There was danger of an awful kind, but his words reassured the men in the car, and the women tried to be brave. Swaying dangerously, and with the terrific thumping under the car, it seemed an age before the train came to a stop. For fully half a mile south the ties had been ripped up in pieces by the broken axle, and the bottom of the car was a wreck. The passengers were transferred to the forward cars, and the train came on to Wilmington, arriving there 40 minutes late.—New York World.

## MUSHROOM POISONING.

Physician Tells of the Effects of His Meal on the Fungi.

The experiences of Dr. D. J. Kelly, who recently had a narrow escape from death as a result of eating poisonous mushrooms, was related before the members of the Chemical society of Washington at a meeting held a few evenings ago in the assembly hall of the Cosmos club. Dr. Kelly told the story himself, his subject being "A Personal Experience With Amanita Muscaria Poisoning."

It will be recalled that his companion at the breakfast table when the mushrooms were eaten was Count de Vecchi, who died from the effects of the poison. Dr. Kelly said he ate of the fungi, and it was good. He ate the heads first because they were better than the stalks, the latter having a taste somewhat like that of cabbage. About an hour after eating he felt nervous, but suspected nothing. Soon he fell asleep in his chair. Then, when he fell unconscious to the floor, he was removed to Providence hospital. When he recovered consciousness, he felt "like a sound man dying." His body felt benumbed. There was almost an absence of sensation. There was no pain. It would have been an easy death.

Square Man's "Graft" on the Government.

Our idea of a lucky man is one who can get a great big graft on the government. Charles Henry is a citizen of Pleasanton, Kan., who years ago was married to a quarter blood Cherokee woman. She died about seven years ago, leaving a little son. Two months ago Mr. Henry discovered that his wife was carried on the rolls of the Cherokee tribe and that his little son was entitled to all the land and bead money secured by any other Cherokee. He recently received for the boy a check for \$2,700 and a deed to 320 acres of rich land. He is a coal miner and had been very poor.—Kansas City Journal.

Tore Feathers From Their Hats.

The Rev. E. H. Irwin, an evangelist from Lincoln, Neb., who has recently been holding revival services in the King Street United Brethren church in Chambersburg, Pa., for a month past, at his last meeting condemned the wearing of feathers and so worked upon the feelings of the women in his audience that some of them tore the feathers from their bonnets in sight of the audience.—New York Sun.

Turkey in the Bear.

Having politely complied with Russia's request not to buy a new navy, the Sultan has ordered 150 large krupp guns. Some day the czar will lose his temper and the Turks, spoiling for a fight, will be accommodated.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Andrew's North Pole Trip.

If Andrew had staid at home and lectured, he might have had more coal bills to pay, but he would have enjoyed more solid comfort than soaring as a moneyless seagull around the frosted tip of the north pole.—Kansas City Times.

## BIG PRINTERS' STRIKE.

The New York Typographical Union Will Shut the Presses for a Nine Hour Day.

The employing printers of New York and Typographical union No. 6, have locked horns over the nine hour demand on the back and printing office, which is to go into effect on Jan. 1. The first working day after that will be Jan. 8.

The Typothetae, which is composed of the employing printers, at a special meeting held for the purpose of "Big Six" by adopting unanimously the following resolutions, which were transmitted to the union:

Resolved, That it is the sense of the Typothetae that it would be disastrous to both employer and employee to reduce the hours of labor in New York from ten to nine, and we therefore refuse to accede to the demand of Typographical union, No. 6.

Resolved, That the Typothetae of New York subscribe the sum of \$5,000 to the defense fund.

This means that if the employers stand by their resolutions about 5,000 book and job printers, pressmen, feeders and electrotypers will strike in 103 book and jobbing offices on Jan. 1.

At the convention of the International Typographical union, more than a year ago, a general vote was taken in favor of the nine hour day in book and jobbing offices all over the country, and the example of New York will be followed in other cities. Each local union was to fix its own time in making the demand, and New York settled on Jan. 1. The employers were formally notified of the demand on Dec. 2, though they knew previously that it was coming.

As New York generally takes the lead in such matters, about 50,000 types, pressmen, feeders and others throughout the country are likely to strike after Jan. 1.

President Samuel B. Donnelly of Typographical union, No. 6, when seen, did not appear to be much worried over the action taken by the Typothetae.

"I am inclined to look upon the resolutions as a bluff," he said, "as a general strike in January would drive a good many of the members of the Typothetae out of business. Some of their plants are heavily mortgaged, and one or two of the largest firms are in favor of receding from the course called for by the resolutions. As it is, we are prepared to enforce the demand. The Typothetae knows that within 30 days we can have in use a defense fund of \$100,000. The employers got fair warning. The newspaper offices will not be involved in this fight."

A strike in New York would involve about 5,000 employees.

Barring Out Christ's Poor.

It is the silence of churchmen on all that concerns the rights and wants of God's children that is driving the rising generation away from believing in the utterances of the churchmen of our day and bringing their teachings into contempt. The humble and the struggling say, if these teachers of Christ's doctrine truly believed in Christ, how could they remain silent in the presence of so much belittling wrong? Such men, they argue, cannot believe absolutely in God and the teachings of Jesus Christ, for if they did believe they would seek to bring God's kingdom on earth and enforce God's laws in this world.

What do we see in so called Christian churches of this nineteenth century? Professing Christians, guided by a preacher, form a sort of society, a religious club, which they call a church. They become so exclusive that the honest, decent poor are driven by them to humber chapels. Is it not clear, on the face of such facts, that humble, intelligent, educated persons, poor in pocket, as well as their less favored brethren in education, equally poor, must accept the decree of excommunication which these rich would be Christians pronounce against them?

This churchianity means the rejection of God's true teachings and an attempt of the gold kings to corner Christianity and make a religious trust.—Rev. Father Thomas J. Ducey.

Labor and Capital United.

It would appear that from now on labor troubles in the silk industry at Paterson are to be no more. A federation of manufacturers and employees has been established and many of the leading firms doing business in the silk city are identified with the new movement. The main object of the federation is the settlement of labor difficulties in a businesslike manner. The ribbon weavers and the broad silk (piece goods) weavers have been instrumental in bringing about the success of the federation.

The plan and scope of the new organization embrace provisions for sick and death benefits, and also a system under which employees incapacitated by age can be pensioned. A cardinal principle of the federation is, "A fair day's work for a fair day's pay."—New York Commercial Advertiser.

Productive Power of Machinery.

A prominent Austrian economist and writer has recently made the calculation and sustained the same elaborately that the continuous daily labor for 12 months, 12 hours per day, of 645,000 abled-bodied workmen and laborers would, with the aid of the machinery now in existence and operation there, produce all of the food, clothing and other actual necessities required to support the 45,000,000 persons living in the empire of Austria-Hungary. It seems a marvelous statement to make, yet it is no more so than another one to the effect that in this country every agricultural laborer produces by the aid of machinery at least 11 times as much as does the same type of laborer in European countries.—Richard J. Linton.

Free Men and Slaves.

When the working poor are paid in return for their labor only as much money as will buy them the necessities of life, their condition is identical with that of the slave who receives these necessities at first hand. The former we call "free men" and the latter "slaves," but the difference is imaginary only.—John Adams.

## FARM-FIELD AND GARDEN

## ABOUT UNDERDRAINING.

Some of Its Beneficial Results—How the Drain Helps in Winter.

It is a common mistake to suppose that the only time the underdrain is helping land is when it is pouring forth a stream of water at its outlet. It is, of course, helping the land then, and probably in its most effective way, but the drain also helps the land in winter, far by having previously taken away the surplus water near the surface it allows the soil to freeze more deeply and thus become deeper and more open to the outside air. Whenever a deep underdrain is laid it receives some of the internal heat of the earth, which it conducts to the surface above, gradually thawing it to the surface as warm weather returns in spring. Thus over a deep underdrain when the surface is covered by snow the frozen soil will gradually thaw from beneath and will be all thawed out by the time the snow is gone. Under snow where there is no underdrain the soil will remain frozen until the snow has all gone. This shows how an interchange of air occurs in drained soil even in the winter, explains American Cultivator, authority also for the following:

So soon as spring comes the rains carry warm outside air down to the drain, making it warmer, while the underdrained land is until late in spring filled with stagnant water, which keeps it cold because it prevents the entrance of air. As the drained soil freezes more deeply in winter it also warms more quickly in spring. In open winters, when there are alternate spells of cold and thawing weather, the drained soil both freezes and thaws several times during the winter. Yet it does this without serious injury to the winter grain growing over it. This is probably because the water has been so far abstracted from the soil that no ice can form to clasp the wheat roots and then in thawing throw them on the surface.

It is in the soil nothing but a hoar frost, which absorbs air and thus enriches the soil with the ammonia it contains when the hoar frost is thawed. In the undrained soil there is very little air, as stagnant water usually comes near the surface, if not covering it. Undrained land often does not even get frozen in winter, as there is so thick a covering of ice over it that freezing of the soil is impossible. If a little soil does freeze, it is made into mud when a thaw comes, and if it contains vegetable matter it is filled with humic acid, which is poisonous to the roots of plants.

It requires two or three years after an underdrain is put in to get its best effects. Even the first winter it will drain the soil immediately over it and for a short distance either way. If the soil is full of vegetable matter and porous, it will drain further. But the second winter the soil will be drained a considerable distance farther than the first, and some gain will be made the third and fourth winters. In a clay soil this extension of the benefits of underdraining is slower, especially if most of the vegetable matter in the soil has been worked out by cultivation. For this reason underdrains are often made shallower and nearer together on clay soils, so as to secure more perfect drainage. But we believe that drains fully three feet deep and four rods apart will give the best satisfaction in the long run. A drain that depth will secure perfect drainage two rods on either side, and though it costs more to dig the deeper drain it does not cost so much to put in the tile or stone for one drain as it does for two.

Crimson Clover.

Professor Roberts says: "Recent results show that the large and medium red clovers, as orchard or stable cover crops, are to be preferred to the crimson all along the debatable line where the latter does well only under favorable conditions." A correspondent of The National Stockman adds:

"That 'debatable line' runs through the Ohio valley, and crimson clover has now comparatively few advocates in this region. When conditions are favorable, it makes a grand cover crop for winter, but probably four seedings out of five in the past have been failures. The chief difficulty is drought. In cornfields and other land we cannot depend upon getting a good stand of plants in August or any considerable early fall growth. When I succeeded in getting the fall growth, it wintered nicely and proved a great fertilizer, but the risk of losing the seeding leads farmers to prefer rye, which is a poorer cover crop, but is very sure. In ordinary rotations it seems wisest to plant a wheat on ground that would otherwise be bare in the fall, and then red clover can be sown in the spring.

The Application of Manure.

Wherever experiments have been carefully made the results have been to show that the value of manure to a plant is in reverse proportion to the depth at which it has been placed in the earth. The nearer the surface the more effective the manure. This, explains Michael's Monthly, arises from the fact that the feeding roots of a plant are nearly always at the surface. Manure has to be acted upon by the gases of the atmosphere before the plant can develop any benefit from it, and the roots seem to understand this and come near the surface where the atmospheric air can operate on the food they have to collect. While this is an abstract principle the best system of applying manure is by top dressing. There is the counter trouble of evaporation, and some of the most desirable gaseous are lost by the top dressing system. On the whole, therefore, it has been found that the most judicious method of applying manure is to spread it on the surface and then rake it in.

## RIDGING LAND IN AUTUMN.

It Prevents the Leaching Away of Food Elements of the Surface Soil.

An advocate for ridging land in autumn writes as follows: "The Orange Judd Farmer: To prevent the leaching away by melting snows and early spring rains of the soluble food elements of the surface soil and of manure spread upon it is most important. The finely decomposed silt that is developed upon the surface by the proper cultivation of corn and other cultivated crops contains much soluble matter. The proportion of this which is retained near the surface will determine very largely the strength and vigor with which the young plants of the next year's crops will begin their elaboration of the inert materials into higher forms and the beginning thus made will control very largely the final product.

The method that is coming into vogue with farmers in Canada is to draw their manure on to these lands, then with a double mold board plow they throw up the fine tilth of the surface and the manure into ridges about 21 inches apart. The manure is left largely in the center of the ridge, where it cannot get away. The water from rains and melting snows, when sufficient to run off the land, will pass down between these ridges. The washing will be less because the water will not be allowed to collect in so large rills, and what there is will be of less consequence because from the lower and less soluble soil. The loss by waters percolating downward through the soil will also be lessened because the greater part of such waters will not have passed through these ridges of manure and rich vegetable mold. In the spring, when ready to seed, a smoothing harrow run crosswise of these ridges renders them all most level and leaves the ground as mellow as an ash heap.

Another great benefit to be derived from the practice of ridging is that the land can be worked a week to ten days earlier than with the ground in the ordinary condition. This also means earlier work of the nitrate and other germs which develop fertility in the soil. Further, ground that is ridged north and south can be worked earlier than that ridged east and west.

Different Forms of Potash.

Potash, like phosphoric acid and nitrogen, does not exist as such in fertilizers, but is held in combination by some other materials. Different substances serve to hold it and modify its properties so that it will serve as food for plants. A writer in American Gardening says:

The nearest approach to pure potash, which we have in commerce is "potash lye." The properties of this material are well known. It is extremely corrosive in its action and unfit to be applied to the soil. There are in Germany large natural deposits of material containing potash in combination with muriatic (hydrochloric) acid, and others in which the potash is combined with sulphuric acid. The former is the source of muriate of potash, and the latter of sulphate of potash, which is used in fertilizers. The former costs less than the latter and is less valuable as a fertilizer because the chlorine which it contains is detrimental to the growth and quality of some crops. As an example potatoes and tobacco grown with fertilizers containing muriate of potash are not of as good quality as when grown with fertilizers containing potash as sulphate.

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News and Notes.

The work of the United States experiment stations is being recognized abroad.

There is a general revival of the interest in cattle.

A new wheat discovered in California and "growing seven heads in place of one" is attracting attention.

Onions must be kept cool in winter.

Our apples as well as our wheat are wanted abroad, but they must be good and well packed.

The drying of vegetables is a new industry recently developed in Santa Clara county, Cal.

A wise old lady used to say, "Get a little fallow around the heart of the calf before the holidays."

The interest in the sugar beet is on the increase in the middle states.

Clover seed is much cheaper than usual this season.

Butter into which water has been forced to make it weigh more is the latest fraud.

## Great

Sales proved by the statements of leading druggists everywhere, show that the people have an abiding confidence in Hood's Sarsaparilla. Great

Cures proved by the voluntary statements of thousands of men and women show that Hood's Sarsaparilla actually does possess

Power over disease by purifying, enriching and invigorating the blood, upon which not only health but life itself depends. The Great

Success of Hood's Sarsaparilla in curing others warrants you in believing that a faithful use of Hood's Sarsaparilla will cure you if you suffer from any trouble caused by impure blood.

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Is the One True Blood Purifier. All druggists. Prepared only by C. I. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass.

Hood's Pills are easy to take, easy to operate. 25 cents.

Potatoes in the Pulpit.

A clergyman who enjoyed the substantial benefits of a fine farm was slightly taken down on one occasion by his Irish plowman, who was sitting on his plow in the wheatfield. The reverend gentleman, being an economist, said, with great seriousness:

"John, wouldn't it be a good plan for you to have a pair of pruning shears here and be cutting a few bushes along the fence while the horses are resting a short time?"

John, with quite as serious a countenance as the divine himself, said:

"Look here, wouldn't it be well, sir, for you to have a tub of potatoes in the pulpit, and while they were singing to peel 'em while to be ready for the pot?"

The reverend gentleman laughed heartily and left.—Pearson's Weekly.

## Some People's Folly.

Why some persons will suffer with the excruciating pangs of rheumatism, when they can be so easily cured by that greatest of pain-cures, Salvation Oil, is past human comprehension. That Salvation Oil does cure rheumatism is evidenced by Mr. G. F. Schrader, Pierce, Neb., who says: "I have used Salvation Oil and think there is no liniment on earth like it. I had the rheumatism for several months and could get no relief until I used Salvation Oil, two bottles of which effected a cure, and I feel as well as ever. No home should be without it." Salvation Oil is sold everywhere for 25 cents. When dealers offer a substitute beware, you'll be victimized. Insist on having the best, Salvation Oil.

## Asthma Can Be Cured.

J. R. Niblo, ex-school superintendent of Rochester, Pa., says: "I have been a great sufferer from asthma for years, but I have had a splendid winter, owing to the surprising efficacy of Brazilian Balm." A lady in Cincinnati, who had suffered with asthma for 17 years, could no longer lie down; was perfectly cured with Brazilian Balm.

## Its Great Charm.

"Yes, we went all over Europe, but papa really only enjoyed himself in Venice."

"Ah, yes, no wonder. The gondoliers, St. Mark's, the Rialto, the"—

"Oh, it wasn't that. But he could sit in the hotel, you know, and fish out of the window."—London Fun.

## Are You a Prudent Man?

Then you will prevent sickness and save doctors' bills by keeping your blood rich and pure, and your digestion perfect with Carter's Cascara Cordia. Doctors prescribe it for dyspepsia and chronic constipation. Price 25 and 50 cents. For sale by Wm. M. Melville and Howard B. Hoyer.

## The Style in Chicago.

"Why is Mrs. Mulford in jail morning?"

"Her first husband is dead."—Cleveland Leader.

## No Humbug.

Foley's Honey and Tar does not claim to perform miracles. It does not claim to cure all cases of consumption or asthma. But it claims to give comfort and relief in advanced stages of the diseases and to usually cure early stages. It is certainly worth trying by those afflicted or threatened with those dread diseases. H. F. Vorkamp, n. e. cor. Main and North sts.

The word costermonger was originally costardmonger—that is, apple seller.

His noisy manners were commented upon in Queen Elizabeth's day. There are now over 30,000 costers in London.

## For Kidney Troubles

there is nothing better than Foley's Kidney Cure. Everyone who tries it will agree to this. H. F. Vorkamp, n. e. corner Main and North sts.

A Japanese saying runs: A woman's tongue is only six inches long, but it can kill a man six feet high.

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It is the best of all purgatives.

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## GRATIFYING RESULTS

Interesting Experiments  
With the New  
Stomach Remedy.

Not a Patent Medicine,  
But a Safe Cure for all  
Forms of Indigestion.

The results of recent investigation have established, beyond question, the great value of the new preparation for indigestion and stomach troubles. It is composed of the most effective agents, pepsin, bismuth, Golden Seal and similar stomachics, prepared in the form of 20-grain lozenges, pleasant to the taste, convenient to carry when traveling, harmless to the most delicate stomach, and probably the safest, most effective cure yet discovered for indigestion, sour stomach, loss of appetite and flesh, nausea, sick headache, palpitation of the heart, and the many symptoms arising from imperfect digestion of food. They cure because they cause the food to be promptly and thoroughly digested before it has time to sour, ferment and poison the blood and nervous system.

Over six thousand people in the state of Michigan alone, in 1894, were cured of stomach troubles by Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets.

Full-sized packages may be found at all druggists at 50c, or sent by mail on receipt of price from Stuart Co., Marshall, Mich. Send for free book on stomach diseases.

## LOCAL TIME CARD.

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## WINTER SHOES!

For Gents. The Storm King is a full bleached, calf lined, double sole shoe, English back stay and waterproof, AA to E.

**\$5.00 Per Pair.**

Every pair warranted. Ask for the Storm King and get the best.

## RUBBERS.

Columbia Rubbers, all styles and widths. Every pair warranted. Handsome delft Chinaware given away with every purchase.

# THE COLUMBIA,

LEADING SHOE HOUSE, LIMA.

### WANTED.

WANTED—A boarder and roomer in a private family. Inquire at 407 west McKibben street.

WANTED—At 319 west Market street a good, experienced girl. Enquire at John Wheeler's grocery.

WANTED—Girl for general housework at 624 north Main street.

WANTED—Furniture, stoves, men's clothing, watches and jewelry. Bargains in second-hand goods at 125 E. Market street. 12-13-14 A. TINKER & HOFFMAN.

WANTED—Men in or near Lima to act as private detectives under instructions. Experience unnecessary. Address: Universal Detective Agency, Indianapolis, Ind. Nov. 11 2m.

FOR RENT—A nice unfurnished room, with private of gas. A family with out children preferred. Enquire at house, 446 south Elizabeth street, just west of Galt & Finley's Machine Shop.

FOR SALE—At great bargains, uncleaned for pants. One very fine English stripe, 32 waist, 32 inseam, made to sell at \$5. Will sell at \$2.50. One English clay, 32 waist, 32 inseam, will sell at \$2. One English clay, 32 waist, 32 inseam, at \$2.50. Great bargains, call soon. LIMA TAILORING CO., Under City Bank.

WANTED TO SELL—One heavy clay coat, made to sell at \$5. Will sell at \$2.50. Great bargain; come soon. We have also a 32 breast clay cutaway and 36 breast novelty at great bargains. Enquire at LIMA TAILORING CO., Under City Bank.

WANTED, CLOTHING—Highest price paid for all kinds of gentle second-hand clothing. Money loaned on personal property—watches, bicycles, and all kinds of musical instruments. Bargains in second-hand goods. 111 E. Wayne street, Lawlor block. 2-1-ly

### CLAIRVOYANT.

CLAIRVOYANT—Special announcement! First visit to Lima of the marvelous full-life reading Clairvoyant and Trance Medium, Prof. E. Leroy. He gives names, dates, facts and figures. Advice on business, speculation, love, law, divorce and marriage. Reunites the separated. Satisfaction or no pay. For fee, \$2.00 for this week only. Parlors, 207 east Wayne street. Call at once and be convinced of his ability. Twenty-three years' experience.

### THE THEATRE.

Mark Murphy Thursday Night in "McSorley's Twins."

Marie Stuart is credited with successfully presenting the part of "Lettie" in "McSorley's Twins," in the French dialect. This is the first part in which Miss Stuart has ever appeared in long skirts. She has introduced several new songs and considerable new business into her specialty. Included in the company are Mark Murphy, John T. Tierney, Nat M. O'Leary, Horwitz and Bowers, the Addis brothers, Mlle. Loretta, Gertrude Milling, Nate Jackson, H. A. Wickham, Davis, Harry Englehart and K. T. Merritt.

COLLEGE GLEE CLUB FRIDAY. In conjunction with the Washington.

### SCHEDULE

For Physical Culture Classes at the Y. M. C. A. Gym.

The Second Term Will Commence Next Monday, January 3.

In a very few days many industrious business men will be in their harness again, as the festivities of the 1897 holidays will be a thing of the past. Just at this point we wish to have the readers of these items to consider themselves members of a class, where undoubtedly self improvement predominates, and, furthermore, wealth cannot purchase it. Every reasonable thinking man does consider health the foundation to mental, social and religious life. As in the past special effort has been put forth (and always rewarded with remarkable results) to help the individual who really needs a little health insurance. The second term opens Monday, January 3, 1898, at 4:30.

The following is the schedule of classes, etc:

Business men, professional men, doctors, etc., Monday, Wednesday and Friday, at 4:30 o'clock, for 30 minutes, and Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock.

General, Monday and Friday at 8 o'clock; open to all members in the senior department, including business men.

Juniors, Tuesday at 4 and Saturday at 2:30 p. m.

### SPECIALS.

Ladies, Thursday at 4:15 o'clock and Saturday at 9:30 o'clock. Exhibition class meets at 7:15 Tuesday.

Association basket ball representative team, Thursday at 8:30. Athletic night, pentathlon practice, Saturday at 7:30.

Leaders meet Tuesdays. Basket ball schedule—Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday evenings.

Swimming and private lessons in the gymnasium are given when desired. Physical and medical examinations can be had by appointment; no charge. The director will endeavor to organize a special morning class for men with the required leisure time. Classes are conducted every afternoon and evening for the respective individuals at present. Can you not be persuaded to at least attend one? Business men are not expected to attend all classes, but to drop in when most convenient. It pays richly; you can't afford to be without it; the best investment yet.

Special Junior class at 3 o'clock Thursday afternoon.

### AT LIMA

The Northwestern Ohio Fair Managers' Association

Will Meet on February 9th—Farmers Invited to Attend.

J. S. Stuckey, president of the Van Wert county fair board; M. J. Crawford, secretary of the Auglaize county board, and P. A. Sandles, secretary of the Putnam county board, the special committee appointed by the Northwestern Ohio Fair Managers' Association to prepare plans for a permanent organization and to decide on a time and place for the next meeting of the association, are to-day holding a meeting at the court house. The committee selected Mr. Stuckey as its chairman and Mr. Sandles as secretary. It was decided to hold the next meeting of the association on Wednesday, February 9th, at the court house in this city. A proper programme will be arranged and matters of common interest to the fair boards and to the exhibitors will be discussed. Sixteen or eighteen counties will be represented, and every person of this county who is interested in the Allen County Fair is invited and urged to attend.

The special committee this afternoon is drafting a constitution and by-laws, which will be presented to the association when it meets in Lima, February 9th. The society, which was organized about a year ago, at Ottawa, will no doubt be of benefit to the fair boards of Northwestern Ohio.

When your stomach begins to trouble you it needs help. The help it needs is to digest your food, and until it gets it you won't have any peace. Stomach trouble is very distressing, very obstinate, very dangerous. Many of the most dangerous diseases begin with simple indigestion. The reason is that indigestion (not-digestion, not-nourishment) weakens the system and allows disease germs to attack it. The antidote is Shaker Digestive Cordial, strengthening, nourishing, curative. It cures indigestion and renews strength and health. It does this by strengthening the stomach, by helping it to digest your food. It nourishes you. Shaker Digestive Cordial is made of pure herbs, plants and wine, is perfectly harmless, and will certainly cure all genuine stomach trouble. Sold by druggists; price 10 cents to \$1.00 per bottle.

### Pay Your Water Bill

For the first half of 1898 and save the discount of 10 per cent.

### PINCHED.

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that J. H. Barrett, who is now superintendent of transportation, will be promoted. Mr. Barrett is well known here, having been with the C. & D. at one time. He was also with the Erie and later was general superintendent of the Cleveland, Akron & Columbus under president Saul.

About a year ago Mr. Barrett was appointed division superintendent of the Southern Railway with headquarters at Atlanta, Ga., and a few months later was given his present position of superintendent of transportation.

### NOTES.

Springfield, Ohio, wants a new union passenger station.

Switchman Charles Potter, of the C. & E., is on the sick list.

The L. E. & W. is building a new freight depot at Fremont.

C. & H. & D. engines 106 and 332 were turned out of the shops to-day after having been repaired.

Jack O'Brien, formerly of the C. & H. & D., has accepted a position as switchman in the C. & E. yards.

Conductor J. E. Purcell, of the L. E. & W., is laying off. Conductor Mike Deneen is running his car.

C. & H. & D. engine 301, which was in the wreck at Newcastle, was turned out of the shops this afternoon.

General yardmaster J. H. Cooper, of the L. E. & W., is on duty again, after a visit with friends in Cleveland.

M. H. Bickell, of the L. E. & W. yard office, has gone to Kokomo, Ind., for a week's visit. Day caller Lipfert is in charge of his duties.

The Ohio Southern is building short branches to undeveloped coal fields in the Jackson coal district. This in-

# REDUCTION PRICES!

For the next thirty days we will offer regardless of cost.

Ladies' Goodyear Welt Button Boots, worth \$3.00 a pair for **\$1.98.**

Ladies' Spring Heel Shoes, 2 1-2 to 5, worth \$1.50, for **\$1.15.**

Misses' Spring Heel Button and Lace, worth \$2.00, for **\$1.48.**

As handsome a Ladies' Shoe as you can find in town for \$3.00, at **\$2.50.**

This is a Vici Kid, Silk Vesting Top and a Beauty.

## THE WAUGH SHOE STORE.

31 Public Square.

sure a big coal business for the road for many years to come.

Brakeman John McLaughlin, of the C. & E. east local, is laying off.

### Well Pleased

Are all good students who take a business course in Lima College, on Jameson avenue. Why should they not be, since the instruction is first-class and the cost reasonable and just?

For further particulars call on or address

dress Prof. Carl Ackermann, Prof. John Davison, or Rev. C. H. Eckhardt, wed & sat

### Pneumonia Cured.

Mrs. A. J. Lawrence, of Beaver, Pa., says: "Fruilian Balm brought me out of a severe attack of pneumonia in splendid shape. It is a wonderful remedy for coughs and lung troubles. Also, for outward use, for burns, cold-sores, and chapped hands and face, it cures like magic. It is invaluable in the family."

G. E. BLUEM.

57 PUBLIC SQUARE.

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# REMNANT DAY! TO-MORROW.

Every day this week you will find some splendid bargains among our Remnants.

## REMNANTS OF ALL KINDS!

REMNANTS OF DRESS GOODS.  
REMNANTS OF SILKS.  
REMNANTS OF COTTONS.  
REMNANTS OF GINGHAMS.  
REMNANTS OF CALICOS.

Net Draperies for Curtains at Half Price. One lot of Cotton Blankets at Half Price. Two lots of Underwear at Half Price.

Many of our Dress Goods Remnants and Silk Remnants you will find large enough for Waist Patterns; or even Skirt Patterns. All sold at One-Half Price.

# G. E. BLUEM,

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THE DRY GOODS, DRESS GOODS AND CLOAK HOUSE.

## ONE WEEK!

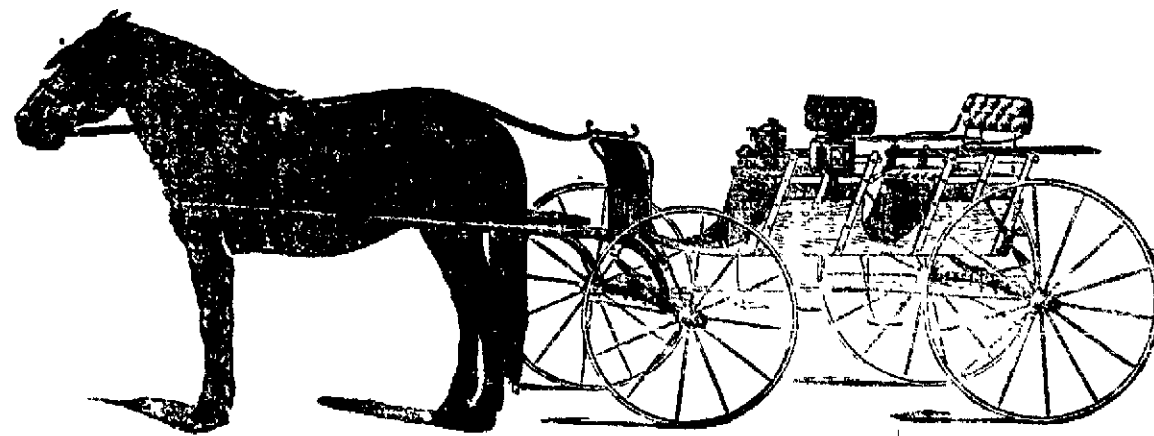
We expect to begin moving soon after January 1st, and having a large stock of holiday goods left which we do not like to pack and move, we will, until January 1st, 1898, offer at prices to catch the BARGAIN HUNTER.

Lamps, Vases, Tea Sets, Fancy Plates, Cups and Saucers, Fruit Dishes, Berry Sets, Odd China.

## ONE WEEK!

Bear in mind that on January 1st, 1898, at 3 p. m., the Pony, Surrey and Harness will be given away. Until that time you are entitled to one ticket for every fifty cents you pay into our store. Do you need a Music Cabinet, Foot Rest, Bookcase, China Closet, Writing Desk, Parlor Cabinet, Couch, or FURNITURE

Of any kind whatever? If you do come and see us before you buy. The prices we will make will do the rest.



Only One Week More Will we Issue Tickets on the PONY, SURREY AND HARNESS. HOOVER BROS.











## Reduction Sale

AT

Metzger's

NEW STORE,

233-235 North Main Street.

Huge Reductions

ON ALL

Holiday Goods.

You can't make a mistake by selecting your New Year gifts from our stock. Every holiday article in our store at

One - Third Off

the usual selling price.

THE IMMEDIATE SALE

This will be your opportunity to take advantage of the greatest bargain ever offered in Handkerchiefs—

ONE-THIRD OFF

From usual price. This means:

5c. Handkerchiefs 3 1-3 Cents.

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WOMEN'S CLOAKS.



Jackets, Coats,

Furs, Waists,

Suits and Skirts,

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From regular price

Come and make your selection. Don't wait until the choicest things are picked out.

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Mr. and Mrs. John Hoby have returned from a holiday visit with their friends.

B. E. Wallace returned last evening from a pleasant visit with his parents at Columbus.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Broe are home after a short, but pleasant, visit with friends in Celina.

Mrs. William Haney and two daughters, of McPherson avenue, are visiting friends in Findlay.

Attorney W. T. Copeland and Robert Irwin left this morning for Van Wert and Paulding.

Miss Fawn Bower, of south Baxter street, has been the guest of Columbus friends this week.

Mr. Murray, traveling passenger agent of the Chicago &amp; Alton, is the guest of Harry McGuire.

Mrs. Wm. Herr, of Gibsonburg, has been the guest of her mother, Mrs. Cunningham, for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Brodbeck, of the south side, have returned after a visit with some friends in St. Marys.

Miss Bernice Kraft, of east Kibby street, left this morning for a visit with friends and relatives in Sidney.

Mrs. M. F. Everett will leave next week for Lexington, Ky., for a two weeks visit with relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. James B. Townsend left for Chicago yesterday. Their children will remain until vacation is over.

Miss Rose Hoeker, of 833 north Main street, is spending the holidays with her brothers and friends in Van Buren, Ind.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Dingleline, of south Pine street, are visiting with their daughter, Mrs. F. H. Simpson, in Columbus.

James R. Shea, who has been the guest of A. J. Dimond for the past few days, last evening returned to his home in Findlay.

Mr. Welton, of Montpelier, Ind., who has been the guest of Frank Black and L. S. Gordon, returned to his home this morning.

Mr. William M. Irish, of Olean, N. Y., arrived in our city Christmas day, for a short visit with his son, Mr. Wm. Irish, of west Spring street.

Miss Emmet, accompanied by Miss Wilson, of Toledo, who have been spending the week with friends and relatives, have returned home.

Mrs. N. E. Kridler, who has been the guest of her daughter, Mrs. A. L. Jones, of north Main street, for the past week, returned to her home in Findlay today.

Mrs. Will Hoblet will leave, to-morrow, for her home in Decatur, Ind., after a pleasant visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Howard, of south Pine street.

C. P. Conley and family, of Lima, on their way home from Dayton, where they spent Christmas, stopped over with friends in this city yesterday.—*Sidney News*

Miss Ray Center, of Middletown, Mr. Ed Goldberg, of Redding, Ohio; Dr. Samuel Goldberg, of Dayton, and Mr. and Mrs. Able Blum, of Arlington Heights, are in the city to attend the wedding of Miss Wiesenthal to Mr. Goldberg.

The Ladies' Auxiliary to the O. R. C. will install officers Saturday night.

The Maccabees, of Lima Tent No. 142, are making extensive preparations for their first annual grand ball, to be held Friday night.

The South Side Gun Club, of which the late William Sullivan was a member, sent a beautiful floral tribute to the funeral of the deceased Monday morning.

A PROPER IDEA.

Clothing and Shoe Stores After January First will Close Early.

The probabilities are that after January first the clothing and shoe stores of this city will close each evening at 6 o'clock, with the exception of Saturday evenings and pay days. The various shoe and clothing merchants all favor the plan, and there is no question but that the clerks would heartily agree to early closing. The business men would certainly not lose anything, and it would give employee an opportunity to refresh themselves after being enclosed in a store room all day.

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## SOCIETY.

Many Holiday Events,

Which Delight the Hearts of Femininity.

Clubs Arranging for New Year's Evening Parties—The Old Year to Be Properly Watched Out.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Chase, of west Spring street, will be at home to the members of the "Social Sixteen" (club on New Year's Eve.

Mr. and Mrs. William Irish will be the entertainers of the T and T Club for Saturday evening. The first day of the new year will be given a good start, the programme being "Book of the Year."

The home of Mrs. C. C. Miller was crowded yesterday afternoon, by the many ladies responding to invitations extended by a number of Trinity Church women, for an afternoon. A good programme, given during the afternoon, consisted of an instrumental duet, by Misses Waters and Fawcett; reading from the Bible—"The Hand of God"—by Miss Martin; piano solo, by Miss Eloise Waters, and a song, by Miss Florence Campbell. This was followed by dainty refreshments.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Warner, of north West street, will give the members of the Twentieth Century Whist Club a welcome this evening.

The Melba Club will meet Saturday afternoon at the home of Miss Bertha Barton, of west Market street.

Monday evening Rev. and Mrs. Albright, of south Elizabeth street, gave a pretty little party in compliment to Miss Martin, of Delaware.

The guests consisted of the members of the Auld Lang Syne Circle. After a short but pleasing programme, given by Miss Waters, H. Hall, Miss Martin and Mrs. Roby, the amusement of the evening was a "Violet Romance," each person being given a dainty little diamond-shaped book tied with the college colors, black and red, and decorated with pretty violets in water colors. In these they were to place their work in reading the romance, causing much merriment. The supper served was very appetizing.

Saturday afternoon will be devoted to attending the New Year's reception given by the Lima Club, which will be one of the social events of the season.

The Misses Holland, of west High street, entertained the Only Eight Club Saturday evening. Whist, as usual, being their amusement.

## VALUABLE FREIGHT.

A Train-Load of Silk, From the Orient, Passed Through This City.

Another special train, hauling raw silk to New York city, passed through this city yesterday afternoon, over the Pittsburgh, Ft. Wayne &amp; Chicago railroad. The train was making fast time, and was running as the second section to No. 20. The silk was shipped by rail from San Francisco, where it had been received by water from China. The freight was valued at over \$2,000,000, and was carefully guarded.

## W. R. C. LADIES

Will Meet To-morrow for a Day's Quilting.

The W. R. C. ladies will meet in Memorial hall to-morrow (Thursday) morning to quilt and enjoy an old-fashioned holiday dinner. All come who possibly can and enjoy the fun and dinner and add zest to the occasion, so we can remember the holiday for years to come. Will open at 9 o'clock, bring your friends with you if you wish.

CHAIRMAN.

LOCAL NEWS ON THREE PAGES.

The third page of each edition of the TIMES-DEMOCRAT contains a large amount of fresh, spicy local news. The demand made upon the advertising columns of this popular newspaper makes it impossible to crowd upon outside pages all the local news that we carry each evening. So do not neglect to look all over the paper to get all we give you. Local news to-day will be found on the 3d, 5th and 8th pages.

Remember the Date,

Next Tuesday, Jan. 4, 1898, the winter term of Lima College will begin. Patronize the home college. It is one of the best.

## PINCHED

Between Two Drawbars,

A Call Boy Carries One of His Hands in a Sling.

Jack O'Brien Now in the Service of the C. &amp; E.—Other Railroad News.

Tom Purcell, a young lad who until recently was employed as day call boy at the L. E. &amp; W., is carrying his right hand in a sling as a result of being too ambitious to become a railroad man. He saw an opportunity to make a coupling between two cars and the temptation was too great to resist. Fortunately it was not necessary for the attending physician to amputate any of his fingers.

LIKE LIMA, THEY'RE PROTECTED

A dispatch from Portsmouth says: The ten days' notice to the Norfolk &amp; Western railroad having expired, the city solicitor will at once institute proceedings for the purpose of taking possession of the car shop property here for the city, the lease to the railroad company having been forfeited.

An inventory of the machinery and equipment turned over to the railroad when the lease was made in 1879 was discovered this morning among some old papers in the office of the city clerk. It includes about \$30,000 worth of property, and fully \$50,000 worth has been added since by the company, all of which reverts to the city by the terms of the lease.

SERVICE SUSPENDED.

Says the Toledo Star: "It is officially announced that the car ferry service of the Detroit, Toledo &amp; Milwaukee across Lake Michigan, between Grand Haven and Milwaukee, has been temporarily suspended and the road is not receiving any freight for Milwaukee. The new service was opened only a short time ago, but just why it has been suspended is not explained by the D. T. &amp; M. management."

FORMERLY A C. H. &amp; D. MAN.

On the list of January W. H. Green, general superintendent of the Southern Railway, says the Enquirer, is to be made assistant to general manager Frank S. Gannon, and the office of general superintendent is to be abolished.

When the change is made it is said.

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